

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE**

JUDGMENT IN A CRIMINAL CASE

(For Offenses Committed On or After November 1, 1987)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

V.

EDWARD D. HAMILTON

CASE #: 3:13-00231

USM #: 22206-075

J. Houston Gordon
DEFENDANT'S ATTORNEY

THE DEFENDANT:

- ☒ pleaded guilty to count 1 of the Misdemeanor Information.
☐ pleaded nolo contendere to count(s) which was accepted by the court.
☐ was found guilty on count(s) after a plea of not guilty.

Accordingly, the Court has adjudicated that the defendant is guilty of the following offenses:

<u>Title & Section</u>	<u>Nature of Offense</u>	<u>Date Offense Concluded</u>	<u>Count Number(s)</u>
42 USC §1320a-7b(a)(1) and 2 and (a)(ii)	Health Care Fraud	11/2012	1

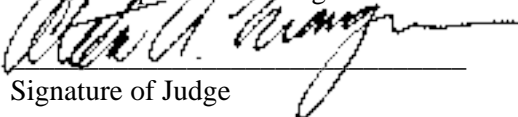
The defendant is sentenced as provided in this judgment. The sentence is imposed pursuant to the Sentencing Reform Act of 1984.

- ☐ The defendant has been found not guilty on count(s) , and is discharged as to such counts.
☐ Count Indictment are dismissed as to this defendant on the motion of the United States.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the defendant shall notify the United States District Court and the United States Attorney for this district within 30 days of any change of name, residence, or mailing address until all fines, restitution, costs, and special assessments imposed by this judgment are fully paid. If ordered to pay restitution, the defendant must notify the Court and the United States Attorney of material changes in economic circumstances.

February 20, 2014

Date of Imposition of Judgment


Signature of Judge

Aleta A. Trauger, U.S. District Judge
Name & Title of Judge

Date Signed: February 21, 2014

PROBATION

The defendant is hereby sentenced to probation for a term of 1 year.

The defendant shall not commit another federal, state, or local crime.

The defendant shall not unlawfully possess a controlled substance.

The defendant shall refrain from any unlawful use of a controlled substance. The defendant shall submit to one drug test within 15 days of placement on probation and at least two periodic drug tests thereafter, as directed by the Court.

- ☐ The above drug testing condition is suspended based on the court's determination that the defendant poses a low risk of future substance abuse. (Check, if applicable.)
- ☒ The defendant shall not possess a firearm, destructive device, or any other dangerous weapon. (Check, if applicable.)
- ☒ The defendant shall cooperate in the collection of DNA as directed by the probation officer. (Check, if applicable.)
- ☐ The defendant shall register with the state sex offender registration agency in the state where the defendant resides, works or is a student, as directed by the probation officer. (Check, if applicable.)
- ☐ The defendant shall participate in an approved program for domestic violence. (Check, if applicable.)

If this judgment imposes a fine or restitution, it is a condition of probation that the defendant pay in accordance with the Schedule of Payments set forth in this judgment.

The defendant shall comply with the standard conditions that have been adopted by this court (as set forth below). The defendant shall also comply with any additional, special conditions on the attached page.

STANDARD CONDITIONS OF SUPERVISION

- 1) the defendant shall not leave the judicial district without the permission of the court or probation officer;
- 2) the defendant shall report to the probation officer in a manner and frequency directed by the court or probation officer;
- 3) the defendant shall answer truthfully all inquiries by the probation officer and follow the instructions of the probation officer;
- 4) the defendant shall support his or her dependents and meet other family responsibilities;
- 5) the defendant shall work regularly at a lawful occupation unless excused by the probation officer for schooling, training, or other acceptable reason;
- 6) the defendant shall notify the probation officer at least 10 days prior to any change in residence or employment;
- 7) the defendant shall refrain from excessive use of alcohol and shall not purchase, possess, use, distribute, or administer any controlled substance or any paraphernalia related to any controlled substances, except as prescribed by a physician;
- 8) the defendant shall not frequent places where controlled substances are illegally sold, used, distributed, or administered;
- 9) the defendant shall not associate with any persons engaged in criminal activity, and shall not associate with any person convicted of a felony unless granted permission to do so by the probation officer;
- 10) the defendant shall permit a probation officer to visit him or her at any time at home or elsewhere and shall permit confiscation of any contraband observed in plain view by the probation officer;
- 11) the defendant shall notify the probation officer within seventy-two hours of being arrested or questioned by a law enforcement officer;
- 12) the defendant shall not enter into any agreement to act as an informer or a special agent of a law enforcement agency without the permission of the court;
- 13) as directed by the probation officer, the defendant shall notify third parties of risks that may be occasioned by the defendant's criminal record or personal history or characteristics, and shall permit the probation officer to make such notifications and to confirm the defendant's compliance with such notification requirement;

PROBATION

SPECIAL CONDITIONS

1. The defendant shall pay restitution to the victim(s) identified below in an amount totaling \$603,900.90. Payment shall be submitted within 10 days to the Clerk, United States District Court, 801 Broadway, Room 800, Nashville, Tennessee 37203.

Commercial Carrier	Address	Amount
BlueCross Blue Shield of Tennessee	1 Cameron Hill Circle Building 1.4 Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402 Attention: Manager Special Investigations Unit Reference Case #19783	\$484,061.32
Cigna	900 Cottage Grove Road Hartford, Connecticut 06152 Attention: Triage Manager W3SIU	\$114,165.05
Humana	100 Employers Boulevard Green Bay, Wisconsin 54344	\$5,674.53
	TOTAL:	\$603,900.90

2. The defendant shall be excluded from the Medicare, Medicaid, and all other federal health care programs as defined in 42 USC §1320a-7b(f) for a minimum period of 20 years. During the period of the exclusion, the defendant cannot personally, or through any entity he controls (i.e., through a direct or indirect ownership interest of 5% or more as an officer, agent, or managing employee, as defined by 42 USC §1320a-5(b) submit claims or cause claims to be submitted for program payment.
3. The defendant is prohibited from owning, carrying, or possessing firearms, destructive devices, or other dangerous weapons.
4. The defendant shall pay a fine in an amount totaling \$60,000. Payment shall be submitted to the Clerk, United States District Court, 801 Broadway, Room 800, Nashville, Tennessee 37203. The fine is due by 3/20/14.
5. The defendant shall pay the costs of supervision at the prevailing rate.

CRIMINAL MONETARY PENALTIES

The defendant must pay the total criminal monetary penalties in accordance with the Schedule of Payments set forth in this judgment.

	<u>Assessment</u>	<u>Fine</u>	<u>Restitution</u>
<u>Totals:</u>	\$25	\$60,000	\$603,900.90

☐ The determination of restitution is deferred until. An *Amended Judgment in a Criminal Case* (AO 245C) will be entered after such determination.

☐ The defendant must make restitution (including community restitution) to the following payees in the amount listed below.

If the defendant makes a partial payment, each payee shall receive an approximate proportioned payment, unless specified otherwise in the priority order or percentage column below. However, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3664(I), all non-federal victims must be paid in full before the United States is paid.

<u>Name of Payee</u>	<u>Total Loss*</u>	<u>Restitution Ordered</u>	<u>Priority or %</u>
BlueCross Blue Shield	\$484,061.32	\$484,061.32	
Cigna	\$114,165.05	\$114,165.05	
Humana	\$5,674.53	\$5,674.53	

<u>Totals:</u>	\$603,900.90	\$603,900.90
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☐ Restitution amount ordered pursuant to plea agreement \$

☐ The defendant must pay interest on any fine or restitution of more than \$ 2,500, unless the fine or restitution is paid in full before the fifteenth day after the date of judgment, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3612(f). All of the payment options on the Schedule of Payments may be subject to penalties for default and delinquency, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3612(g).

☐ The court has determined that the defendant does not have the ability to pay interest and it is ordered that:

☐ The interest requirement is waived.

☐ The interest requirement is modified as follows:

* Findings for the total amount of losses are required under Chapters 109A, 110, 110A, and 113A of Title 18 for offenses committed on or after September 13, 1994, but before April 23, 1996.

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS

Having assessed the defendant's ability to pay, payment of the total criminal monetary penalties is due as follows:

- A** ☒ Lump sum payment of \$663,925.90 (restitution, special assessment, fine) due
[x] not later than 3/20/2014, or
[] in accordance with C, D, E, or F; or
- B** ☐ Payment to begin immediately (may be combined with C, D, or F); or
- C** ☐ Payment in equal _____ (e.g., weekly, monthly, quarterly) installments of \$_____ over a period of _____ (e.g. months or years), to commence _____ (e.g., 30 or 60 days) after the date of this judgment; or
- D** ☐ Payment in equal _____ (e.g., weekly, monthly, quarterly) installments of \$_____ over a period of _____ (e.g. months or years), to commence _____ (e.g., 30 or 60 days) after release from imprisonment to a term of supervision; or
- E** ☐ Payment during the term of supervised release will commence within _____ (e.g, 30 or 60 days) after release from imprisonment. The court will set the payment plan based on an assessment of the defendant's ability to pay at that time; or
- F** ☐ Special instructions regarding the payment of criminal monetary penalties:

Unless the court has expressly ordered otherwise, if this judgment imposes a period of imprisonment, payment of criminal monetary penalties shall be due during the period of imprisonment. All criminal monetary penalties, except those made through the Federal Bureau of Prisons' Inmate Financial Responsibility Program are to be made payable to the Clerk, U.S. District Court, located at 800 U.S. Courthouse, 801 Broadway, Nashville, TN 37203.

The defendant shall receive credit for all payments previously made toward any criminal monetary penalties imposed.

- ☐ Joint and Several
Defendant and Co-Defendant Names and Case Numbers (including defendant number), Total Amount, Joint and Several Amount, and corresponding payee, if appropriate.
- ☐ The defendant shall pay the cost of prosecution.
- ☐ The defendant shall pay the following court cost(s):
- ☐ The defendant shall forfeit the defendant's interest in the following property to the United States:

Payments shall be applied in the following order: (1) assessment; (2) restitution principal; (3) restitution interest; (4) fine principal; (5) fine interest; (6) community restitution; (7) penalties, and (8) costs, including cost of prosecution and court costs.